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Tetra Gilcrest

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Tetra Gilcrest Bekker, also known as **Tetra Gilcrest**, was a Redanian [Aretuza](#)-trained sorceress who hailed from the lineage of the first human mage, [Jan Bekker](#), and was the leader of the Kaer Morhen Pogrom of 1194.

Rumors circulated that she also participated in the avalanche that nearly destroyed the fortress of the [School of the Griffin](#), Kaer Seren. However, following the events with the Wolves, her fate became unknown.

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Born	October 24, 1140
Birthplace	Unknown, probably somewhere in Redania
Status	Missing, rumored dead
Service	1158 - 1194
Physical Description	
Race	Human
Gender	Female
Hair	Black
Eyes	Gray - violet
Skin	Pale
Political Information	
Profession	Advisor Author Dwimveandra Mage
Rank	Advisor mage
Affiliation	Kaedweni Crown
Alias(es)	Witcher Slayer
Nationality	Redanian
Relationships	
Father	Deral Gilcrest
Mother	Bauvroya Bekker
Lover(s)	A unknown number of flings and lovers Stivri Zigamort (at some point between 1158 and 1170)





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Biography



Early life

Tetra Gilcrest Bekker was born on October 24, 1140 in [Redania](#), from a noble family, descending from a lineage of distinguished mages, with her ancestry tracing back to Jan Bekker, the first human mage. The daughter of Deral Gilcrest and Bauvroya Bekker, Tetra grew up immersed in a magical environment rich in tradition and knowledge. Her lineage endowed her with a natural aptitude for magic, and she exhibited exceptional talent from a young age.

The birth of hate (1145)

When Tetra was still a five-year-old child, accompanying her mother to the Kaedweni court where she served as an advisor mage, she watched helplessly as a priest accused her mother of being the perpetrator of a curse that had made him ill. Without due process, the Wolf Witcher Osmund hunted down and killed her. The priest's health immediately improved, seemingly confirming the sorceress's guilt. However, a few days after Osmund left, the priest's cook was found with a valuable gem that the witcher had been paid for his services, revealing a plot between the witcher and the cook to poison the priest and swindle him of his coin.

Realizing her mother had been unjustly killed due to the witcher's greed, Tetra harbored a deep resentment towards all witchers. As she grew older, she vehemently advocated for their eradication. Unbeknownst to Tetra, the Wolves eventually learned the truth about Osmund's actions and exiled him, leading him to join the infamous [School of the Cat](#). Unfortunately, this information never reached Tetra in time.

Training in Aretuza (1145 - 1158)

Following the tragic events, Tetra's father, grappling with his own mental health challenges after the death of his wife, found himself unable to care for Tetra. However, he recognized his daughter's extraordinary talent and made the crucial decision to send her to [Aretuza](#). This pivotal choice marked the beginning of Tetra's journey into becoming a mage. Her time at Aretuza became a crucible of knowledge and power, where Tetra immersed herself in rigorous education under the guidance of various mages, such as [Leticia Charbonneau](#) and the aforementioned Tissaia de Vries, among others.

Life as a sorceress (1158 - 1194)

Like the typical sorceress, Tetra engaged in numerous flings and romantic relationships throughout her life. This aspect of her life was also influenced by her attainment of the title of sorceress, which she achieved through becoming a dwimveandra. Belonging to the generation that began to undergo sterilization after [Tissaia de Vries](#) assumed the position of one of the rectors at Aretuza and published "[The Poisoned Source](#)," Tetra was relieved from concerns about potential descendants, unlike her mother.

It was during her travels across the [Northern Kingdoms](#) as a dwimveandra, that Tetra met Stivri Zigamort, a Kaedweni archer from a noble family, and their relationship evolved into something more serious than her previous affairs. Stivri played a significant role in Tetra's life by imparting to her the skills of archery, which she later combined with her magical abilities.

Tragically, Stivri's life was cut short by Molt, a witcher from the School of the Cat who had accepted a contract to assassinate him on behalf of a rival noble family seeking to acquire the Zigamort family lands once Stivri died, and eventually, his parents died of old age, as Stivri was the only son. Upon learning of Stivri's demise, Tetra embarked on a vengeful quest to hunt down Molt. This event only served to deepen Tetra's existing animosity towards witchers, perpetuating her deep-seated hatred even further.

Following Stivri's death, Tetra's lover's family recommended her to the king of Kaedwen of that period, who added that her mother also served the king before that one, leading her to become a mage advisor to the king, despite being a foreigner. However, she lacked voting rights in the Royal Council due to her non-native status.

Kaer Morhen Pogrom (1194)

"Monsters to kill monsters!"

—Tetra, quoting the famous renegade mage, Alzur

After several years serving as a mage advisor, Tetra's hatred grew, fueled by the vile acts committed by certain Wolf witchers who would later be exiled from Kaer Morhen. However, Tetra's vision was clouded, and her trauma, coupled with deep-seated prejudices from that experience, prevented her from considering alternative perspectives when deciding to act against the witchers. Thus, in the spring of 1192, when the mage Artamon of Asguth anonymously published the discriminatory literary work titled *Monstrum, or Description of the Witcher*, Tetra seized upon it, widely distributing the pamphlet among the population. Over the next two years, this effort sparked a surge in anti-witcher sentiment among the people of Kaedwen.

By 1194, a mob of peasants, led by Tetra and other opportunistic mages harboring personal grievances against witchers, stormed Kaer Morhen. They massacred everyone inside—23 witchers and forty students, including children, as well as renegade mages like Reidrich and Dagobert Sulla, who oversaw the mutation processes. Only those members of the Wolf School who were outside the castle at the time survived. The pogrom was officially condemned as an "isolated incident," and some attackers even expressed regret in its aftermath.

Following the massacre, Tetra disappeared, and her position as a mage advisor at the Kaedweni court was filled by another mage. Some speculated that she was killed by one of the survivors of the pogrom, possibly Vesemir. Others suggested she perished in her confrontation with the renegade mages, using her magical talents against them but ultimately succumbing. Still, others believed that she came to regret the pogrom and eventually chose to vanish, leaving her fate a mystery.

Legacy

The pogrom led by Tetra, coupled with the betrayal by the [School of the Cat](#) during the Witcher's Tournament, the attack orchestrated by Salamandra, and the battle against the Wild Hunt who resulted in the death of its eldest surviving member, Vesemir, eventually led to the extinction of the School of the Wolf with its last remaining members completely abandoned [Kaer Morhen](#) in 1273.

Abilities

Magical

- **Gesture Casting:** The ability to cast mystical/supernatural phenomena through hand gestures/seals/signs.
- **Incantation:** The ability to use magic by using magic words from a certain language, in most cases Elder Speech.
 - [Magecraft](#)
 - Aether Magic
 - Standing Portal
 - Air Elemental Magic
 - A proto-version of Bronwyn's Bow that resulted in a black projectile.
 - Fire Elemental Magic
 - An unnamed illusionary spell that affected a fire to tell a story.
 - Either a handheld version of Aenye or Aine Verseos used to provide light and fire for a torch
 - Probably the proto-version of Demetia's Crest Surge
 - Probably the spell Raise Flame.
 - Water Elemental Magic
 - A similar spell to Invaerne.

Non - magical

- **Archery** : Shooting with a bow and arrows. Occasionally, Tetra used to combine it with magic.

Image Credits

- Tetra Gilcrest Fanart by Jars

Notes / Trivia

- This is an expansion / reimagining of the character adapted to the [Tales of the World of the Witcher EU](#), so, the events where she appears, are mostly taken into account but

without her lore problems.

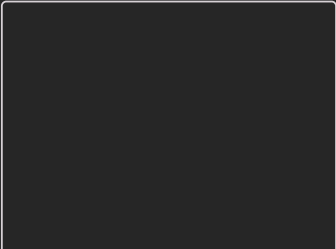
- For the witcher that provoked Tetra's hatred, Osmund, mentioned in The Witcher 3 Next Gen, it might serve.
- The Redanian nationality of Tetra, is based on the speculation done by XLetalis in his Nightmare of the Wolf review video.

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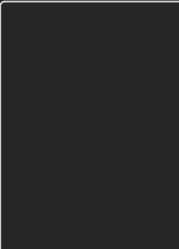
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